



Lion Shake kicks off Oct. 17

Force protection exercise set to test emergency responders

By Kelli Covlin

USAG Vicenza Public Affairs

Caserma Ederle will practice its emergency response capabilities Oct. 17 during Lion Shake 07, the community's annual antiterrorism force protection exercise.

"The purpose of the Lion Shake exercise is to test SETAF's emergency management operations and consequence management plan," said Justin Mansfield, plans officer, Directorate of Plans, Training, Mobilization and Security, USAG Vicenza. "What this means is we – U.S. and Italian emergency response agencies – will test how to respond to an incident on the installation, in accordance with the antiterrorism and force protection plan procedures we have developed over the years.

"This exercise allows us to practice the plan and see which areas work well and what areas we, as a community, in conjunction with the host nation, need to work on," said Mansfield.

During planning for the Lion Shake exercise, a specific scenario is developed creating an emergency response situation on the installation, such as a fuel truck exploding or a large chemical spill.

This year's event will take place near the Ederle Inn.

Each year command agencies spend months planning and preparing with their off-post Italian counterparts to update and refine their emergency response and consequence management procedures in preparation for the exercise, said Mansfield.

Workers and visitors on Caserma Ederle will feel the effects of Lion Shake the morning of Oct. 17, as traffic will be disrupted and restricted in the area where the scenario takes place.

The Vicenza military community should expect the following on the day of the exercise:

- ◆ Installation and Italian emergency vehicles (police, fire and ambulances) will be on Caserma Ederle responding to an emergency scenario.

- ◆ Gates to the installation and surrounding areas (Lerino, Torri, Longare and Villaggio) may close temporarily – No access on or off during this time.

- ◆ Units, organizations and offices may practice Shelter in Place plans. If you are on Caserma Ederle you may become part of the exercise. You may be stuck in the PX, commissary, an office, or on the installation if you are on post during the time of the incident.

- ◆ On Oct. 17, normal day-to-day operations will be disrupted while units and agencies respond to the emergency scenario in Lion Shake 07.

"It is important that we exercise our antiterrorism and force protection plans as they would be executed in an actual incident," said Larry Kilgore, Antiterrorism and Force Protection Program Manager, DPTMS, USAG Vicenza. "Our annual Lion Shake exercise provides us this extraordinary opportunity."

Post officials are encouraging people to defer nonessential trips to the post during the exercise on Oct. 17. Emergency vehicles will be entering post and traveling to and from the simulated incident scene.

Those who must come onto post that day should expect detours and delays.

In a scene from last year's Lion Shake exercise, a simulated 'victim' is wheeled toward the medical area by two emergency responders. Scenarios such as this will be common on Oct. 17. (Outlook file photo)



Changes for Halloween activities on Villaggio

From the Directorate of MWR
Press Release

To ensure a fun and safe Halloween event this year USAG Vicenza will be enforcing several new rules. **These rules will apply only to NON US ID cardholders entering the gate at 7 p.m.**

1. Italian children not in a costume will not be allowed to enter Villaggio.
2. Any and all Italian children, must be accompanied by an Adult.
3. One adult can escort a maximum of three children.
4. Children will have to be 5'2" (158 cm) or shorter to enter.

There will be two controlled entry points: one for Italians and one for US ID cardholders.

A maximum of 1,500 Italians will be allowed to enter Villaggio.

Festivities will begin at 3:30 in the Youth Services gym where children, ages 6 and under, will find the "Pumpkin Patch" a place with holiday games and activities, scary stories, and a tattoo parlor.

At 4 p.m. in the Youth Services parking lot, older children will enjoy Pumpkin Bowling, Musical Tombstones and Fortune Telling until 5 p.m. From 5-6 p.m. everyone can enter the "Best Screamer and

Costume contests.

The "Haunted Path," located in Villaggio will be open evenings Oct. 27, 28 and 29, as well as on Halloween from 5:30-7 p.m. for ID cardholders only.

This year, Trick or Treat for ID card holders **only** is from 6-7 p.m.

The gates will open at 7 p.m. for Italian children observing the rules, and continue until 8:30 p.m.

MWR will have food booths placed strategically around Villaggio which will serve as trick or treating booths. Booths will be operated by volunteers who will hand out candy to all children.

If you don't wish to participate, or live off post and wish to bring your children, and would like to donate candy, bring candy to any of the booths located around Villaggio or drop off donations at the MWR Marketing office, bldg #3, Monday -Friday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Signs in English and Italian will be distributed for home windows or doors, indicating that you are not participating in Halloween.

Updates regarding shuttle service between main post and Villaggio, walk-in gate hours and location of the BOSS booths will be in *The Outlook*, on AFN and on the Command Channel.

What is a 'Shelter-in-Place?' How do I find one?

From American Red Cross
Web site

One of the instructions you may be given in an emergency where hazardous materials may have been released into the atmosphere is to shelter-in-place.

Shelter-in-place means selecting a small, interior room, with no or few windows, and taking refuge there. It does not mean sealing off your entire home or office building.

When authorities provide directions to shelter-in-place, they want everyone to take those steps now, where they are, and not drive or walk outdoors.

If you are told to shelter-in-place, follow these instructions:

- ◆ Close the business.
- ◆ Bring everyone into the room(s).
- ◆ Shut and lock the door(s).
- ◆ Close and lock all windows in the room.
- ◆ Shut and lock any exterior doors.

If there are customers, clients, or visitors in the building, provide for their safety by asking them to stay indoors – not leave.

Unless there is an imminent threat, ask employees, customers, clients, and visitors to call their emergency contact to let them know

where they are and that they are safe.

Turn on call-forwarding or alternative telephone answering systems or services. If the business has voice mail or an automated attendant, change the recording to indicate that the business is closed, and that staff and visitors are remaining in the building until authorities advise it is safe to leave.

If you are told there is danger of explosion, close the window shades, blinds, or curtains.

Have employees familiar with your building's mechanical systems turn off all fans, heating and air conditioning systems.

Some systems automatically provide for exchange of inside air with outside air – these systems, in particular, need to be turned off, sealed, or disabled.

Gather essential disaster supplies, such as nonperishable food, bottled water, battery-powered radios, first aid supplies, flashlights, batteries, duct tape, plastic sheeting, and plastic garbage bags.

Select interior room(s) above the ground floor, with the fewest windows or vents. The room(s) should have adequate space for everyone to be able to sit in. Avoid overcrowding by selecting several rooms if necessary. Large storage

closets, utility rooms, pantries, copy and conference rooms without exterior windows will work well. Avoid selecting a room with mechanical equipment like ventilation blowers or pipes, as this equipment may not be able to be sealed from the outdoors.

It is ideal to have a hard-wired telephone in the room(s) you select. Call emergency contacts and have the phone available if you need to report a life-threatening condition. Cellular telephone equipment may be overwhelmed or damaged during an emergency.

Use duct tape and plastic sheeting (heavier than food wrap) to seal all cracks around the door(s) and vents into the room.

Write down the names of everyone in the room, and call the designated emergency contact to report who is in the room with you, and their affiliation (employee, visitor, client.)

Keep listening to the radio or television until you are told all is safe or you are told to evacuate. Local officials may call for evacuation in specific areas at greatest risk in your community.

Visit the American Red Cross Web site at www.redcross.org/services/disaster/beprepared/shelterinplace, for more information.

Sexual Abuse: Not in our Army, not in our community

By Tina Helmick

USAG Vicenza Sexual Abuse Response coordinator

Here's some reality information for you: The Rape, Abuse and Incest National Network, Web site: www.rainn.org, reports that a sexual assault incident occurs once every two and a half minutes in the U.S., and that one out of every six women have been involved in an attempted or completed rape with 10 percent of all sexual assault victims being men.

Sexual assault incidents are the most difficult to prevent, combat against, and deal with afterwards.

One of the biggest factors in why sexual assault is such a troublesome crime for our society, our community and for our servicemembers is what most people just don't know about sexual abuse.

To start, many people don't know what constitutes a sexual assault. They may think that the absence of a "no" is as good as a "yes", or that consent can be obtained through coercion or persuasion, or that intoxication is a viable excuse for misconduct. **Remember - No means No!**

The Army has instituted the Sexual Assault Prevention and Response Program geared specifically to assisting our servicemembers.

If you or someone you know has been sexually assaulted, there are two types or ways of reporting the incident at their disposal.

The first is by initiating a restricted reporting procedure.

Restrictive reporting does **not** trigger an investigative response but provides the victim with medical treatment, a forensic

examination, advocacy services, and counseling assistance. Should a person want to report utilizing the restricted reporting process, they can speak with the Chaplain, Sexual Assault Response Coordinator, Unit Victim Advocate, or a health care provider. Restricted reporting allows anonymity to the victim and provides personal space and time to consider all of his/her options.

The second alternative is unrestricted reporting. In the unrestricted reporting procedures, command and investigative services **are** notified. The victim will receive any medical treatment necessary, a forensic examination, advocacy services, and counseling assistance.

The benefits of unrestricted reporting are that the perpetrator is held accountable for his or her actions, it ensures the widest

range of rights and protections to the victim, provides full investigative services, separation from the offender, enhances community safety and encourages other victims to come forward.

The restricted and unrestricted reporting procedures provide victims with viable choices for assistance and care while at the same time, letting them determine how they wish to proceed with their individual case based upon the circumstances at hand. The Sexual Assault Prevention and Response Program provides a critical outlet and assistance for people that need help in overcoming a crisis and a way to rebuild and continue on with their lives.

For more information about the Sexual Assault Prevention and Response Program or assistance, you can contact the SARC office at 634-6269 or 0444-71-6269 from off post.

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—The Rape, Abuse and Incest National Network

Community Action Council

This forum is to discuss issues affecting the community. If you have an issue you wish to submit, visit the USAG Vicenza Web site at www.usag.vicenza.army.mil and click on the Community Action Council link. This link provides you the opportunity to review issues that have been previously submitted and responded to by post agencies. There is also a form available for you to submit any new issue you would like addressed. If you have questions, call 634-5222 or 0444-71-5222 from off post.

The command encourages you to identify yourself when submitting a CAC issue in order to be able to answer your concern directly.

The command also reminds the community that CAC issues submitted containing vulgar, derogatory or inflammatory language will not be addressed.

Childcare is offered during the CAC at \$4 per hour, per child, for children ages 6 weeks old through kindergarten from 8:45-11:15 a.m. Preregistration is required.

Children will be cared for in the Child Development Center, building 395. Children must be registered with Child and Youth Services Central Registration. Call 634-7219 or stop by their location in the Davis Family Readiness Center.

The next CAC will be Oct. 25 beginning at 10 a.m. in the Ederle Theater.

Issue: *Soldiers are not authorized to be in any off-post facility while in uniform. This puts us at a great disadvantage for scheduling farewell luncheons for our deserving Soldiers. It is a task to change into civilian clothes, get to the venue within*

ample time and leave to change back into uniform to be at work at 1 p.m.

I am unaware of the driving force behind Joe Dugans' closure; but, did anyone realize that this was the venue for monthly NCO gatherings?

Joe Dugans' lunch also gave us another venue besides fast foods and DFAC, which had no air conditioning.

If the closure wasn't something detrimental to the Soldiers and family members on this installation, why weren't the Soldiers thought about before considering closure?

Response from DMWR: MWR decided to cease breakfast/lunch/dinner food concession operations in the Golden Lion Central In-Processing facility, where Joe Dugans' was located.

From an economic/financial perspective, the concession contract was not a feasible prospect and was terminated in June.

MWR and the USAG Vicenza command are exploring alternative options for the use of this space. Specifically, MWR is soliciting interested contractors to operate an Internet Café. The Internet Café is to offer a selection of coffee, fruit juices, sodas, doughnuts, coffee cakes, and muffins. There will be Internet stations with webcams.

The proposed hours will be 7:30 a.m.-8 p.m. Monday-Friday. Based on demand, the operating hours may be increased to include Saturdays and Sundays.

The contract solicitation and award process is expected to take several weeks. The Internet Café is expected to open by Nov. 30.

For a special event, MWR's Club Veneto offers a pleasant comfortable location. Call

Post Chapel thanks volunteers, staff for Vacation Bible School



Antoinette Samuels, Protestant Religious Education coordinator, receives her award from Maj. Gen. Frank G. Helmick, SETAF commander. (photos by Barbara Romano, 7th ATC Photo Lab)



Jennifer McNeese, Catholic Religious Education coordinator receives her award from Maj. Gen. Frank G. Helmick



David Kessler, director of Religious Education, receives his award from Maj. Gen. Frank G. Helmick.

This year's Vacation Bible School had the largest attendance and the largest number of volunteers who participated in the history of the chapel, according to Chaplain (Maj.) Eugene Schneider, Family Life Chaplain. To show appreciation for all the hard work that went into this event, Maj. Gen. Frank G. Helmick, SETAF commander, presented Antoinette Samuels, Jennifer McNease, and David Kessler with Certificates of Appreciation for the most successful VBS the chapel has ever had. They are exemplary volunteers as well as staff/contractors, he said during the ceremony held Sept. 22. The chapel also thanks the following volunteers for their hard work: Christa Babin, Chrissie Babin, Kenneth Barteau, Tracy Boland, Belinda Bowman, Jonathon Bowman, Melanie Brashears, Cristina Buffington, Cathy Buss, Jakena Caldwell, Mindy Casale, Alessia Catena, Kristin Catena, Stefanie Cook, Kellie Coombs, Adam Coombs, Lyndsey Coombs, Katie Field, Ginger Fleming, Debbie Ford, Chakeira Gilbert, Areli Glenn, Jonathan Glenn, Letty Gonzales, Stephen Griggs, Emilia Grillo, Peter Grillo, Vivian Grillo, Jean Gross, Cody Gryder, Dustin Gryder, Linda Hammil, Andrew Hammil, Rich Hanssen, Rhonda Hanssen, Ashleigh Hanssen, Joshua Hanssen, Tori Hanssen, Chanel Haynes, Christina Helmick, Jane Helmick, Jessica Holland, Allyson Holland, Kati Hunnewell, Kathi Hunnewell, Tamela Johnston, Laura Jones, Teresa Koch, Becky Lienemann, Shelley Loos, Elaine Lozano, Krista McBride, Debbie McCarthy, Jenna Miller, Katie Mochmer, Charokee Molina, Melany Molina, Allison O'Brien, Jonathan Ochart, Carmen Ochart, Holly Peck, April Peterson, Janette Prados, Stacy Pratt, Beth Quinn, Charles Samuel Jr., Eugene Samuel, Sasha Sibilla, Rachel Staley, Harriet Stevenson, Daniel Stevenson, Ann Marie Thompson, Sonya Torrence, Eric Torrence, Shelbi Whittenberg, Laura Williams, Aubrey Williams, and Zack Williams.

634-7685, or 0444-71-7684 from off post, for an appointment to discuss arrangements and to allow us to more fully explain how we can tailor the function to meet your expectations.

Issue: *Most installation newspapers have a "For Sale" section which allows Soldiers who are PCSing to sell items to in-processing Soldiers.*

Recommendation: *Allow community members to sell items in the HomeFront newspaper.*

Response from DMWR: MWR agrees that a central place for listing for sale items is needed in this community. We have researched the most effective way to provide this service to the community.

We found that print ads are not cost effective to produce nor are they timely enough for a monthly publication like the HomeFront News and funding regulations for *The Outlook* prohibit such advertisements.

Recognizing this need, MWR Marketing developed "MWR Marketplace".

This is Web-based classified ads where users can submit, modify and delete their own ads, which are forwarded to MWR Marketing for administrative approval. They would be able to include digital images that would help sell items.

Advertisers could choose to keep personal information private to outside browsers with an anonymous reply system eliminating posting of names and phone numbers.

MWR Marketplace became operational Sept. 27 and is now ready and waiting for classified advertisements.

Response from the USAG Vicenza Public Affairs Office: In a joint effort with MWR, *The Outlook* will now run the advertisements

placed in MWR Marketplace, www.vicenzamwr.com/marketplace.

Caserna Ederle community members can now place free classified ads (not personal or personal services ads) on the MWR Web site:

How will ads make it to *The Outlook*? Every Tuesday at noon, *The Outlook* editor will go to the MWR Web site and copy the ads. These ads will appear in *The Outlook* one week later.

Example: The ad is placed/updated Oct. 3 at noon on MWR Marketplace, however, it will not appear in *The Outlook* until Oct. 10.

It is up to the owner to make any additions or deletions to the advertisement.

The Outlook and Directorate of MWR are not responsible for any errors in the advertisement, so it's up to the seller to ensure the correct price, e-mail address, etc. is listed.

PHOTOS appearing in the advertisement will NOT appear in *The Outlook*.

Also, because *The Outlook* has a limited amount of space available, editing of the classified ad may take place. For example, if a car is being sold, and the seller is listing specifics about the vehicle, *The Outlook* may simply list the year, make, model and price.

The Outlook will not take classifieds, or changes/updates to an existing classified over the phone, by e-mail or fax.

The next CAC will be hosted at the Ederle Theater Oct. 25 at 10 a.m.

Soldiers honored for years of Army service



Congratulations to (Left to right) Chief Warrant Officer Mary Hawkins, 405th Army Field Support Brigade; Master Sgt. Andrea Terrell, 13th Military Police Company; and Staff Sgt. Robert Kebre, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, USAG Garrison Vicenza, for all their years of service to the U.S. Army. The Soldiers were honored during a retirement ceremony held Thursday on Hoekstra Field, where they received citations from Maj. Gen. Frank G. Helmick, SETAF commander. (Photo by Paolo Bovo, 7th ATC Photo Lab).

Army's Funded Legal Education program seeks applicants

Office of the Staff Judge Advocate
Press Release

The Office of The Judge Advocate General is now accepting applications for the Army's Funded Legal Education Program.

Under this program, the Army projects sending up to 15 active duty commissioned officers to law school at government expense, if funding permits.

Selected officers will attend law school beginning fall 2007 and will remain on active duty while attending law school.

Interested officers should review Chapter 14, AR 27-1 (The Judge Advocate General's Funded Legal Education Program) to determine their eligibility.

This program is open to commissioned officers in the rank of second lieutenant through captain.

Applicants must have at least

two but not more than six years of total active Federal service at the time legal training begins.

Eligibility is governed by statute (10 U.S.C. 2004) and is non-waivable.

Eligible officers interested in applying should immediately register for the earliest offering of the Law School Admission Test, contact the Vicenza Education Center at 634-7698.

Applicants must send their request through command channels, to include the officer's branch manager at AHRC, with a copy furnished to the Office of The Judge Advocate General, ATTN DAJA-PT (Ms. Yvonne Caron), 1777 North Kent Street, Rosslyn, VA 22209-2194, to be received before Nov. 1, 2006. Submission of the application well in advance of the deadline is advised.

Interested officers should contact Maj. Charles Lozano, Office of the Staff Judge Advocate at 634-7047.

Fire Prevention Week: Oct. 8-14

Take care when cooking with oil

From the Caserma Ederle Fire Department
Special to the Outlook

Overheated cooking oil will start to bubble or froth excessively and/or smoke. The frothing action might cause the oil to overflow the pan and ignite. The fire is intense and could surge up and out of the pan almost instantly.

Facts and figures

♦ A study published by the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission found that 75 percent of range or stove fires started with food ignitions. Forty-three percent began with cooking oil; 33% started with fish or meat. Sixty-three percent of the range or stove fires beginning with food occurred when someone was frying.

♦ Fifty-five percent of the people who were injured in non-fatal reported home cooking fires during 1999-2001 were injured when they tried to fight the fire themselves.

♦ One of every seven home fires reported in 1994-1998 started with fat or grease. One of every six reported fire injuries resulted from

these fires. Source: NFPA's *Home Cooking Fire Patterns and Trends*, January 2005.

Safety tips

♦ Cooking with oil requires close attention.

♦ Never cook when under the influence of alcohol, drugs, or medication.

♦ When frying, stay by your pan. Simply turning away from the cooktop may be enough time for a fire to start and get out of control.

♦ When you cook, wear clothing with tight-fitting sleeves. Loose-fitting clothing is more likely to catch fire from a stove burner.

♦ Make sure pans and utensils are dry – oil and water don't mix.

♦ If the oil starts to boil (bubbling), remove it from the heat source. Just lowering the temperature of the burner will not reduce the heat quickly enough, especially on an electric stovetop.

♦ Be careful not to over-fill your pan or pot with oil. You need enough room in the pan to allow for the food to be added.

If you have too much oil in the pan, oil is likely to overflow the pan

and contact the burner, where it can catch fire.

♦ If the oil catches fire, wearing an oven mitt, immediately, but carefully slide a lid over the pan to smother the fire. Turn off the burner and slide the pan off the heat source. Keep the pan covered until the oil cools to prevent it from starting again.

♦ If the oil has overflowed from the pan and ignites, get everyone out of the home and call the fire department from outside.

♦ **Never use water to extinguish a cooking oil fire.**

Fire Warden classes

The Caserma Ederle Fire Department is holding fire warden classes Oct. 11 and 12, in building 205.

For Italian-speaking personnel, class is held Oct. 11 at 2 p.m.

For English-speaking personnel, classes are offered Oct. 12 at 9:30 a.m. and 2 p.m.

To attend, or for details on the Italian class, e-mail matteo.spigolon@setaf.army.mil.

To attend, or for details on the English class, e-mail: christopher.bender@setaf.army.mil.

Pay patients now send payments to Germany

European Regional Medical Command
Press Release

HEIDELBERG – As a result of the Europe Regional Medical Command's consolidation of the medical billing offices of Army hospitals and clinics in Europe to form the Europe Uniform Business Office (eUBO), patients who pay for health care services will have one place to go for payments and customer service.

The consolidation changes billing procedures for "pay patients" who use Army medical treatment facilities in Europe.

Pay patients include DoD civilians, DoDDS school teachers, DoD contractors, Army & Air Force Exchange Service employees, Non-Appropriated Fund employees, and foreign military personnel.

The medical billing offices of

Landstuhl Regional Medical Center, Heidelberg Medical Department Activity, and Wuerzburg MEDDAC and their outlying clinics (except SHAPE) were consolidated at LRMC.

Although the eUBO and Accounting and Billing Operations Division are located at Landstuhl, they come under ERMC's G8 (Resource Management) in Heidelberg. Kelley Locke is the newly-appointed eUBO chief.

The eUBO is located on the fourth floor of Bldg. 3700, at Landstuhl and opened for business Sept. 25.

The consolidated billing office is designed to provide continuity of billing operations. As medical activities in Europe transform over the next several years, the eUBO will enhance the level of customer service for pay patients. In the past, each medical facility was

responsible for billing its pay patients. The new consolidated office offers standardized billing and collection procedures as well as cashless transactions.

The efficiencies gained from consolidation include economies of scale and the ability to cross-train personnel, leveraging technology to improve billing accuracy, and the use of billing "best practices" from within DoD and the civilian business community.

Patients receiving invoices for health care services should now send payments to the address listed below:

ERMC A&BO
Attn: eUBO
CMR 402, Bldg. 3700
APO AE 09180

For details call 486-8879 or (toll free) 00-800-9050-9050.

Clients can contact eUBO via e-mail at eubo@amedd.army.mil.

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The fierce figurehead is on the bow of a ship at the Expo Port. This ship was used in the Roman Polanski movie "Pirates." It is next to the Galata maritime museum. You can board it and walk on the decks for a small fee, but it is not functional ship and is unable to sail on the open sea.



Floral tribute to Christopher Columbus's first three ships at the Piazza della Vittoria.



Above: A view of the Genoa Aquarium and port. At over 10,000 square meters and 71 tanks, the aquarium is one of the largest in the world. For more information on Genoa and the numerous family-friendly attractions, visit the Web site: www.portoantico.it. The Web site has a button for English.

Genoa: Home of Christopher Columbus

By Staff Sgt. Joyce Costello

AFN Livorno

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Look beyond the colorful cruise ships full of tourists with cameras poised, ready to capture the standard postcard shot, and the wide array of foreign dock workers talking in sounds that some might think as clicking and clucking, Genoa is an Italian port city worth exploring.

Genoa is believed to be named after the two-headed *Giano Bifronte*, an ancient mythological god, which is the protector of ships and coins.

The port of Genoa, once just a natural inlet, started to become active as early as the 5th century BC. The first port facilities, for which there are records, date back to shortly after the year 1000 AD.

Genoa – like the two-headed Giano – has two faces: the Italian Riviera looking out to sea, with its mountainous coast surrounded by olives and vines, and the second face of heavy industry.

It has always been the crossroads of traffic and culture between Europe and the Mediterranean sea.

The Genoa Aquarium is Europe's largest aquarium and one of the most popular cultural venues to be found in Italy.

The 71 tanks, which are constantly renovated, faithfully reproduce the habitats of the Mediterranean and of the oceans, of the pole and of the tropical islands, ensuring life and reproduction for the more than 500 fish species on site.

But Genoa may be best known to Americans as the birthplace of Christopher Columbus (1451-1506), who is credited with founding 'The

New World, and the Americas.

Down at the port, at the *Galata Museo del Mare* is a Christopher Columbus exhibit celebrating 500 years in the Mediterranean. The exhibit is open through Oct. 15.

Genoa's newest tribute to Columbus is the inauguration of the *Columbus Galleria* set for Oct. 11, at 5 p.m. at the Archive of the State of Saint Ignazio, which will look at Columbus's contribution as a man between the old and new world.

When Columbus originally approached the bankers of Genoa to finance his trip, he was turned down because they thought he had miscalculated the distance.

Pretty smart for a time when many thought the world was flat. However, he did get funding from the rulers of Spain and the new world would never be the same again.

Columbus' house is located in downtown historic district and open to the public on Saturdays, Sundays and on special occasions, like Columbus Day.

In fact, the American community in Genoa has joined local authorities for commemorative ceremonies at the Columbus house and for this year's ceremony, they will lay a wreath and the winner of the Paganini International Violin Competition will play Paganini's violin, the "*Cannone*."

Columbus is only one of many historical figures from Genoa, but history is much more exciting when explored first-hand.

Vicenza's Information, Tours and Registration has a trip to Genoa Oct. 8 from 6:30 a.m.-10 p.m. that includes transportation, entrance to the Genoa Aquarium and escort assistance. Reserve your place by calling Vicenza's ITR at 634-7094 or e-mailing them at itr@vicenzamwr.com.



Above: The *Grande Bigo* whisks visitors 200 feet up in the air for a panoramic view of the port.

SETAF Augmentation unit recognized for service in Afghanistan deployment

Story and photo by Laura Kreider
Outlook Staff

American Soldiers, members of the community and Italian authorities participated in the SETAF Augmentation Unit Recognition ceremony and building relocation held at Longare Sept. 23.

The Augmentation Unit is SETAF's reserve force, and is part of the 7th Army Reserve Command, headquartered in Schwetzingen, Germany.

Prior to its current flagging, the unit was known as the 314th Support Center.

The unit integrates with, supports and augments, SETAF during mobilizations or deployments, and during the formation of a Joint Task Force.

SETAF Aug mobilized and deployed with Headquarters, Combined Joint Task Force-76 ISO, Operation Enduring Freedom in Afghanistan from March 16, 2005 to Feb. 21, 2006.

"I want to recognize the SETAF Augmentation Unit for magnificently accomplishing your mission as a part of CJTF-76, and for upholding the honor, intent, and traditions of the citizen Soldier," said Maj. Gen. Frank G. Helmick, SETAF commander, during the ceremony. "I am proud of you, and so are America and our allies."

He also thanked and gave a plaque to the mayor of the town of Longare, Giorgio W. Baldinazzo, in recognition of the town's hospitality and support throughout the years of the American presence in Longare.

"Our presence in Longare is a symbol of the strength of the Transatlantic NATO Alliance, and the special relationship between Italy and the United States."

"Throughout two world wars, and in the current global war on terror, Soldiers of Italy and the United States have fought together to preserve freedom and democratic values," continued Helmick.

"We face today an enemy who is ruthless, an enemy who hates us more than he loves life. To preserve our democratic way of life, nations like Italy, the United States, and our allies must call upon their citizens, and that call will involve sacrifice," he said.

Brig. Gen. Richard M. Tabor, commander of the 7th Army Reserve Command, and SETAF commander Maj. Gen. Frank G. Helmick, then affixed the Unit Afghanistan Campaign streamer to the unit colors in recognition of the SETAF Augmentation Unit's participation in the Operation Enduring Freedom.

"Let this campaign streamer be an inspiration for all who see it, for it symbolizes the sacrifices we have shared in the fight against those who seek to oppress and deny democracy, human rights and universal values," said Tabor to the crowd gathered for the ceremony.

"The unit reflects the founding father's ideal of the citizen-Soldier—ready, vigilant, and on point for the nation."

"But the true foundation of every Soldier here is their family. That this unit is a part of Italian society is no accident. Many of these Soldiers have deep family ties with the Vicentini," he said.

This unit trains in partnership with a talented unit of the Italian Military Red Cross. And lastly, the *Comune di Longare* has been gracious and generous host to SETAF activities here for over 50 years," added Tabor.



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Italian, American firefighters train together to sharpen skills

Story and photo by Spc. Justin Nieto
SETAF Public Affairs

Caserna Ederle firefighters spent Sept. 25 and 26 training with their Italian counterparts on CPR and defibrillator techniques, the goal was to help them both become more effective first responders.

"This training was the result of coordination between the post firefighters and the Italians firefighters wanting to teach each other their techniques," said Lt. William Session, Caserna Ederle Fire Department.

The training consisted of a day in the classroom, followed by the a day doing practical exercises, said Session.

The classes are taught by representatives

from SUEM, the Italian emergency response organization, who used slides and training dummies.

Once the classroom portion was over, the trainees move to the testing phase, which was the hands on exam.

"Once you pass your practicals, you're given another test, and after passing that, you are then are certified to use these techniques," said Session.

"This was good training, because we use a lot of the same techniques when it comes emergency responses, but this ensures we are all on the same page," said Session. "And that's important when it comes to being the first person giving aid on the scene of an incident."



Italian firefighter, Stefano Bigarella, demonstrates first aid on a dummy to fellow American and Italian firefighters during a joint training session on Caserna Ederle.

Soldier receives Bronze Star with Valor for actions under fire

Story and photo by Laura Kreider
Outlook Staff

Staff Sgt. Bryan L. Dorman, Joint Logistics command, a Soldier with SETAF Augmentation unit, was awarded the Bronze Star with Valor for gallantry in action during a ceremony held in Longare, Sept. 23.

The incident happened while Dorman was serving with the 362nd Tactical Psychological Operations company as part of CJTF-76, in Afghanistan.

Dorman and other seven Soldiers were on a combat patrol Aug. 26, 2005 when they got ambushed.

"The ambush was open by an RPG, which hit my truck and immediately followed by small arms fire," said Dorman after the ceremony.

"I remember a bang and a flash. I looked up and my turret gunner had been hit and fell back into the truck. That's when I got up and returned fire in the turret with the weapon I had and fired as much as I could until we got out of the kill zone," he said.

"As far as receiving this medal," Dorman continued, "it is a great honor to get awarded, but I didn't do anything special as far what anybody else's has done in the past. We were just fighting for each other."



Maj. Gen. Frank G. Helmick (left), SETAF commanding general, congratulates Staff Sgt. Bryan L. Dorman, a Soldier with Joint Logistics command, after presenting him the Bronze Star for Valor earned in Operation Enduring Freedom. Dorman and other seven Soldiers were on a combat patrol Aug. 26, 2005 when they got ambushed. Dorman's quick thinking and rapid reaction helped his unit escape enemy fire.

Out & About



By Dorothy Spagnuolo

Vicenza, Padova exhibitions

‘*Vicenza Numismatica*,’ an exhibition of coins, medals and paper money meets the needs of scholars, dealers and collectors who love to reconstruct history through coins and medals.

Held at the Vicenza exhibition grounds from Oct. 6-8, it’s open Oct. 6-7 from 9:30 a.m.-6:30 p.m. Oct. 8 hours are 9:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Entrance is free.

The grounds are located near the Vicenza ovest autostrada exit.

Vicenza art exhibition: In the main square in the *Salone degli Zavatteri* enjoy an exhibition on *Le Immagini della Fantasia*, (The Images of Fantasy).

Find original works by artists from all over the world, which offer visitors to the exhibition a fantastical journey through the fables, legends and stories of the various countries, told in the words of art.

There is also a section dedicated to the late Swiss artist, Sita Jucker. Open Tuesday-Sunday 10:30 a.m.-1 p.m. and 3-7 p.m. until Nov. 1. Entrance is free.

Padova: The ‘*Casa su misura*’ (furniture exhibition) will be held in the Padova exhibition grounds Oct. 7-15. Find the latest in furnishings and accessories for your home and garden.

Open weekdays from 4-10 p.m.; weekends from 10 a.m.-10 p.m. Entrance fee is 5 euro.

The exhibition grounds are near to the train station.

Lake Fimon relay race

Oct. 8: Get your running shoes on and participate in a relay race that will take you around *Lago di Fimon* (Lake Fimon).

The race is organized by the Alpini Sports Group in collaboration with the Arcugnano town hall.

The race is divided into three parts, each person runs 4,2 km. You can go by yourself and you will be put into a team, or take two of your friends with you to form a team. The cost of the relay is 15 euro for each team.

Meeting place at the *Piazzale* at the Lake at 8:30 a.m., the race begins at 9:30 a.m.

The different team categories are – Men with a total of 110 years; between 111-150 years and the over 151 years. There is only one category for females.

Runners receive a T-shirt and a souvenir of the race. For details, call Martino 0444-530-261, English is spoken.

Market and grappa distilleries

The monthly *Vicenza* antique market takes place Oct. 8 in the main squares in the city center. Open sunup to sundown.

Distilleries open: Grappa distilleries will be open for a visit until Oct. 8 in the following towns in the province of Vicenza:

Ponte di Barbarano: Dal Toso Rino;

Montegalda: F.lli Brunello;

Villaga: Li.dia;

Schiavon: Poli

Costabissara: Schiavo distillery.

Open weekdays 2-6 p.m.; Sundays 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

Renaissance market

Thiene: Oct. 7 at 9:30 a.m. in the town’s center a European Renaissance Market opens with the vendors in medieval costume

Throughout the day there will be performances by flag-waver groups and ballet performances by the Thiene Renaissance Ballet Company.

Oct. 8 the market opens at 10 a.m., throughout the day different activities will take place to include performances by flag wavers and the dancing by the renaissance ballet group.

Thiene is 18 miles north of Vicenza.

Chestnut time

October is the month when Italian families take to the forests armed with plastic bags and gardening gloves to gather the prickly burrs (which contain chestnuts) from under the trees.

Because they are so abundant, “good” chestnut hunting grounds are not subject to the same type of tight-lipped secrecy that good mushroom spots tend to encourage. You won’t have any problem in finding a forest floor crammed with ripe chestnuts.

Once you have gathered the chestnuts, you can roast them over an open fire (or in the special chestnut pans) to obtain the much-loved “*caldarroste*.”

Other ways to enjoy chestnuts include: boil them to serve as a side dish: cover large, sound-looking

chestnuts in a large pan with a small amount of salt, a bay leaf, and, if desired, fennel seeds. Cover with cold water and cook over moderate heat until soft. Discard any chestnuts that float to the top.

To use them in a sweet or savory purée or in a dessert dish, you should first make a small incision in each shell and then blanch the chestnuts in boiling water for 10 minutes.

Remove them from the heat, drain, and remove the tough outer shell. To remove the fiddly inner membrane more easily, cook for another 10 minutes in fresh boiling water; drain and peel.

Now you can either glaze them in butter or sauté them briefly in flour and butter and then deglaze with white vinegar and cook for 10 minutes.

For delicious desserts, you should cook the peeled chestnuts in milk and vanilla extract and then purée them. Add sugar and some brandy and cook until thickened. By pushing the purée through a potato ricer and making a soft “mountain,” you have the basis of the famed dessert “*Montebianco*,” which is then topped with whipped cream. Alternatively you can make chestnut soufflé, mousse, or bavarese.

For couch potatoes, chestnuts are readily available in the supermarkets where you can also find “*farina di castagne*” (chestnut flour) for your cakes.

Visit a garden

The Sigurta’ Gardens, located in *Valeggio sul Mincio*, province of Verona, has more than 30,000 plants, 18 ponds with tropical fish, a water and a herb garden, for starters.

This park has been considered one of the five most beautiful gardens in the world. The park can be visited on foot, by bicycle, in golf-carts or by taking a fun train ride along the seven-kilometer ‘Magic Route.’

There are refreshment stands, or bring a picnic lunch.

The park is open everyday from 9 a.m.-6 p.m. until Nov. 5. Entrance fee: adults: 8,50 euro; children 5-14 years of age: 6 euro; children under 4: free.

Directions from Vicenza 80 km: Autostrada A4 west, exit at *Peschiera del Garda*, follow the signs to the park, about 8 km.

Now Showing

Caserma Ederle Theater

Oct. 3	CLOSED	7 p.m.
Oct. 4	Lady in the Water (PG13)	7 p.m.
Oct. 5	John Tucker Must Die (PG13)	7 p.m.
Oct. 6	The Covenant (PG13)	7 p.m.
	Miami Vice (R)	9:45 p.m.
Oct. 7	The Ant Bully (PG)	4 p.m.
	The Covenant (PG)	7 p.m.
Oct. 8	The Ant Bully (PG13)	4 p.m.
	Miami Vice (R)	7 p.m.
Oct. 9	CLOSED	
Oct. 10	CLOSED	

Camp Darby Theater

Oct. 6	Idiocracy (R)	6 p.m.
Oct. 7	Clerks II (R)	6 p.m.
Oct. 8	Step Up (PG13)	2 p.m.
Oct. 8	The Descent (R)	5 p.m.

Movie Synopsis

CLERKS II - *Brian Christopher O’Halloran, Jeff Anderson.* Ten years ago best friends Dante Hicks and Randal Graves were New Jersey mini-mall clerks still slacking off together in their early 20s. Now working in the fast-food universe, Dante and Randal have managed to maintain, and even hone, their in-your-face attitudes, agile skill with vulgarities and unbridled love of screwing the customers.

JOHN TUCKER MUST DIE - *Jesse Metcalfe, Sophia Bush.* When three popular girls from different cliques discover they’ve all been dating the school stud, they band together to seek revenge. Despite the jerk’s charm and ever-growing popularity, the girls cleverly scheme with the help of the inconspicuous new girl in town, to soil his reputation and break his heart.

LADY IN THE WATER - *Paul Giamatti, Bryce Dallas Howard.* Cleveland Heep, a modest building manager, rescues a mysterious young woman from danger and discovers she is actually a narf– a character from a bedtime story who is trying to make the treacherous journey from our world back to hers. Cleveland and his fellow tenants start to realize that they are also characters in this bedtime story.

THE COVENANT - Steven Strait, Sebastian Stan. In 1692, in the Ipswich Colony of Massachusettes, five families with untold power formed a covenant of silence. One family, lusting for more, was banished; their bloodline disappearing without a trace – until now. This thriller tells the story of the Sons of Ipswich, four young students ot the elite Spencer Academy who are bound by their sacred ancestry. As descendants of the original families who settled in Ipswich Colony in the 1600’s, the boys have all been born with special powers.

MIAMI VICE - Colin Farrell, Jamie Foxx. Ricardo Tubbs is urbane and dead smart. He lives with Bronx-born intel analyst Trudy, as they work undercover transporting drug loads into South Florida to identify a group responsible for three murders. The intensity of the murder case pushes Crockett and Tubbs out onto the edge where identity and fabrication become blurred, where cop and player become one-especially for Crockett in his romance with Isabella and for Tubbs in the provocation of an assault on those he loves.

Admission: Adults age 12 and over \$4, children \$2.
The Ederle Theatre box office opens one hour prior to show time.